

BOWEN COMMUNITY BROADCASTING ASSOCIATION INC.
95.1 GEMFM



MEMBERSHIP POLICY

Interpretation:

The Code: The Community Radio Broadcasting Codes of Practice 2008 (CBAA) Code 1.4

Constitution: 95.1GEMFM Rules -registered 12th September 2022

Purpose

To Facilitate the engagement of the community through financial membership that both sustains the station and guarantee its accountability to the community. Membership is open to any person who agrees with the basic objects of the association.

Policy

1. Members of 95.1 GEMFM are required to support its purposes and comply with the Rules of the Association (constitution).
2. The publicly available constitution outlines the members rights, responsibilities, voting and other meeting processes and procedures for the election, and responsibilities of the Management Committee.
3. Members of the management committee must be individual financial members of the association.
4. The management committee may expel a member from the association if in the opinion of the committee the member has been guilty of conduct detrimental to the interests of the association.
5. Membership Forms are made available on the station's website (www.95.1gemfm.org), at the station premises or by email on request.
6. Initial membership fees and annual renewal fees are inclusive of GST.
7. All annual membership fees shall become due on individual members anniversary date.
8. Keep a register of members of the association.
9. Income and property of the Association shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects and purposes of the association and no portion shall be paid or transferred to any member of the association.
10. **MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES** (as per constitution)
 - a) Ordinary Members- unlimited number of members in this class- must be a financial member of the Association-must support the objects of the Association-all members will have the same rights except as where maybe stated to the contrary-no limitation on voting rights and election to committees.
 - b) Honorary Member- unlimited number of members in this class-Granted for a period of one year to an individual who has performed outstanding services for the Association-May not vote-Not eligible for election to the management committee.
 - c) Affiliate Member-unlimited number of members in this class-granted to any person, institution or business who is interested in the objectives and activities of the Association-may not vote-not eligible for election to the management committee.
 - d) Life Membership-no more than 10 Life Members at any one time-granted to an individual for exceptional service to Bowen Community Broadcasting Association- no limitation on voting rights and election to committees.
11. Access to personal information about members will remain confidential (refer Privacy Policy).

12. Member Rights-

- (a) Inspect certain records and documents of the association and get copies of these documents.
- (b) Inspect the register of members of the association.
- (c) Be given written notice of and vote on any proposed special resolutions (for voting members).
- (d) Voting rights at AGM and special meetings (for voting members)
- (e) Access to opportunities for involvement in all forms of station activity including governance structures and presentation of programs.
- (f) May appeal against expulsion, by giving secretary written notice. (Refer Constitution).
- (g) Be protected from disciplinary action if a grievance procedure is started.
- (h) Refer to Policy Internal Conflict Code 1.5 for resolving internal conflict.